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DIARY NOTES

28 September 1959

1. At the Deputies' Meeting:

a. The Director indicated that inasmuch as the President would not be going to Moscow until spring he would try to firm up a date for our Cornerstone Ceremony sometime soon. (We are still hoping that this will be held on 11 November.)

b. The Director asked Mr. Bissell to make up a list of projects which have been terminated in the recent past in order to satisfy allegations which the Bureau of the Budget continues to make that we never terminate any of our projects while, at the same time, we continue to add new ones.

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2. The Director, [REDACTED] and I met with Mr. Frederick Mueller, the Secretary of Commerce, and Dr. A. V. Astin, Director, National Bureau of Standards, to discuss our desire to incorporate 20,000 square feet of space for our use in their new building. Mr. Mueller approved. (See Memorandum For The Record dated 30 September 1959.)

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3. I concurred by telephone in a cable which the EE Division proposes to send to the [REDACTED] Station telling them to go ahead and lease a warehouse provided that they had considered and discarded for good reasons the idea of using the Technical Services Staff print shop.

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4. Lyman Kirkpatrick telephoned to request that [REDACTED] attend the Agency Publications Board Meetings. I approved.

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5. [REDACTED] were up to see me about the [REDACTED] study." They have concluded that they wish to recommend to Dick Bissell that we put [REDACTED] on a thirty-day standby basis. They requested that I explore with the [REDACTED] on a senior level, what their reaction would be to this proposal. I told them that I would be glad to do this but only after the matter had been discussed with the Director and General Cabell. I do not feel that I should go to [REDACTED] who has now replaced [REDACTED] until I have had a chance to discuss this with the Director and General Cabell and know what position the Agency wishes to take. It was, therefore, agreed that Al would supply this information to Dick Bissell and suggest that we discuss it at an early Deputies' Meeting.

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6. [REDACTED], Office of Communications, was in to see me in connection with a paper on an agreement between the Agency and the [REDACTED], which I signed [REDACTED] setting forth the administrative arrangements for operating [REDACTED]

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7. Also at the Deputies' Meeting the Director indicated that an allegation had been made to the effect that some official in the Khrushchev party had stated that they had come into the possession of a great deal of money which we gave to our agents; consequently, [REDACTED] 25X1A

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